

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-7, 10-13, 24, 26-30, 33-36, 47 and 51 are pending in the application.

Applicants express their appreciation is expressed for the indicated allowability of Claims 1, 4-7, 10-13, 24, 26-30, 33-36, 47 and 51. The present Request for Continued Examination is being provided with an accompanying Information Disclosure Statement that provides identification of several references of which Applicants have recently become aware. Applicants are therefore providing these references to the Examiner for the pending claims to be considered in light of these references. Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1, 4-7, 10-13, 24, 26-30, 33-36, 47 and 51 are patentable over the references cited in the attached Information Disclosure Statement.

Drawings

Regarding the Drawings, Applicants have included formal drawings Figures 18A and 18B to make the listing of Figures 18A and 18B in the “Brief Description of the Drawings” consistent with the actual drawings.

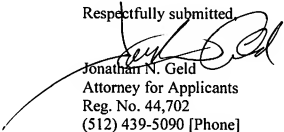
Specification

Regarding the Specification, Applicants have added a new paragraph after line 13 on page 9: to address the Examiner’s concerns. Support for the additional paragraph can be found at least at page 57, lines 9-16 of the present Specification. Applicants assert that the addition of the new paragraph addresses the “Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification” dated June 2, 2008.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application and the claims therein are believed to be in condition for allowance without any further examination and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 512-439-5090.

Respectfully submitted,



Jonathan N. Geld
Attorney for Applicants
Reg. No. 44,702
(512) 439-5090 [Phone]
(512) 439-5099 [Fax]